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R 140732Z MAY 77
FM AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9316

UNCLAS SECTION 1 OF 2 LIBREVILLE 1169

FOR SCA, VO, SCS, PTT AND AF

E.O. 11652: NA
TAGS: CGEN, APER, ABUP
SUBJECT: FY 1979 CONSULAR PACKAGE

REF: STATE 87841

	FY-1976	FY-1977	FY-1978	FY-1979
ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	
10/1/75	10/1/76	10/1/77	10/1/78	
9/30/76	9/30/77	9/30/78	9/30/79	

1. SCHEDULE I: IMMIGRANT VISAS

1. IVS ISSUED	2	4	5	6
2. IVS REFUSED	0	0	0	0
3. TOTAL IV CASES	2	4	5	6

MAN HOURS UTILIZED AMERICAN OFFICERS

5. TEMPOARY DETAIL	10	20	20	20
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7. SUB TOTAL AMER.	10	20	20	20
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MAN HOURS LOCAL

9. TEMPORARY DETAIL	30	60	60	60
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11. SUB TOTAL LOCAL	30	60	60	60
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12. TOTAL IV MANHOURS	40	80	80	80
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13. USE OF INERP	0	0	0	0
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(MO OF TOTAL)

14. THIRD COUNTRY CHECK	100PCT	100PCT	100PCT	100PCT
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2. SCHEDULE II: NIV

15. NIVS ISSUED	380	460	560	660
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16. NIVS REFUSED	3	3	6	8
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17. TOTAL NIV CASES	383	463	566	668
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MAN HOURS UTILIZED:
AMERICAN OFFICERS

19. TEMPORARY DETAIL	80	100	110	120
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21. SUB TOTAL AMERICAN	80	100	110	120
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MAN HOURS UTILIZED:
LOCAL

23. TEMPORARY DETAIL	200	220	240	260
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25. SUBTOTAL LOCAL	200	220	240	260
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26. TOTAL NIV MAN HOURS	280	320	350	380
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27. NIV FEES COL (\$)	866.90	400	450	500
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28. BORDER CROSSING CARDS	0	0	0	0
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29. CREW LIST VISAS	2	1	2	2
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30. NAMES ON CLV	60	30	60	60
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31. NIV CASES INTERVI.	10PCT	10PCT	10PCT	10PCT
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32. USE OF INTERPRETER	0	0	0	0
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33. THIRD COUNTRY CHECK	1PCT	2PCT	2 PCT	2PCT
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3. SCHEDULE III:

SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES

34. USC DEATHS	1	2	2	2
35. ESTATE/PROPERTY CLA.	1	2	2	2
36. NTOARIALS	10	20	30	40
37. WELFARE/WHEREABOUT	2	4	6	8
38. ARRESTS	0	2	3	4
39. SEAMEN & SHIPPING	0	2	3	4
40. OTHER	2	4	6	8
41. TOTAL SCS CASES	16	34	52	68

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MAN HOURS UTILIZED:
AMERICAN OFFICERS

43. TEMPORARY DETAIL	20	30	40	50
45. SUBTOTAL AMERICAN	20	30	40	50

MAN HOURS: LOCAL

47. TEMPORARY DETAIL	40	50	60	70
49. SUBTOTAL LOCAL	40	50	60	70
TREASURY CK FY-76	25	30	35	40

SCHEDULE IV:
CITIZEN SHIP AND PPT

52. PPT APPL EXECUTED	22	35	40	45
53. PPT APPL EXAMINED	22	35	40	45
54. FEE PPT ISSUED	22	33	38	43
55. NO FEE PPT ISSUED	0	2	2	2
56. PPTS AMENDED/EXTEN	0	1	2	3
57. NEW REGIST APPLIC	2	4	6	8

58. REPORTS OF BIRTH 1 3 3 3

59. WITNESS TO MARRIAGE 0 0 0 0

60. WAIVER OF PPTS 0 0 0 0

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61. SUB TOTAL PPT CASES 25 47 51 59

62. IDENTITY CARDS ISSUED 0 0 0 0

63. TOTAL PPT CASES (SUM OF LINES
52, 56, 57, 58) 25 47 51 59

MAN OURS UTILIZED:
AMERICAN OFFICERS

65. TEMPORARY DETAIL 50 60 70 80

67. SUBTOTAL 50 60 70 80

MAN HOURS LOCAL

69. TEMPORARY DETAIL 100 110 120 130

SUBTOTAL LOCAL 100 1110 120 130

TOTAL PPT MAN HOURS 150 170 190 210

73. AMERICAN REGISTERED
3/31/77 NA 163 NA NA

AMERICAN CIT RESIDENT:

74. OVVICIAL (INC PC) 63 63 63 63

75. NON OFFICIAL 110 120 130 140

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FM AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9317

UNCLAS SECTION 2 OF 2 LIBREVILLE 1169

5. SCHEDULE V; THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO LIBREVILLE.
PLEASE REFER TO POSTS NARRATIVE COMMENTS, SCHEDULE VI,
SUBPARAGRAPH I, AND TO PARA SEVEN.

6. SCHEDULE VI:

FEDERAL BENEFITS, FRAUD, ETC

A. FEDERAL BENEFIT ACTIVITY: THERE ARE NOT SSA REIMBURSED
POSITIONS AT THISPOST. WE ESTIMATE THAT TWENTY MAN HOURS
(COMBINED AMERICAN AND LOCAL) ARE DEVOTED ANNUALLY TO
FEDERAL BENEFIT ACTIVITY, INCLUDING SSA. TOTAL VOLUME
EXTREMELY SMALL.

B. FRAUD INVESTIGATION: FRAUD IS NOT A PROBLEM IN
LIBREVILLE. WE HAVE HAD NO CASES OF VISA FRAUD AND ONLY
ONE POSSIBLE CASE OF PASSPORT FRAUD, WHICH WE ARE UNABLE
TO RESOLVE EVEN AFTER SEVERAL APPROACHES TO FOREIGN MINISTRY
AND MINISTRY OF JUSTICE.

C. US CITIZENS IN JAIL AS OF 3/31/77: NONE

D. SERVICES FOR INS: WE RECEIVE ONLY OCCASIONAL INQUIRIES
RE PROCEDURES FOR OBTAINING/EXTENDING RE-ENTRY PERMITS,
PARTICULARLY FROM HAITIAN NATIONALS CURRENTLY WORKING IN
GABON. WE HAVE HAD NO CASES OF I-151 CARDS SURRENDERED,
LOST OR STOLEN.

E. LOSS OF NATIONALITY CASES, INCLUDING RENUNCIATIONS: NONE

F. FOUND PASSPORT CASES PROCESSED: NONE

G. CONSULAR AGENTS: NOT APPLICABLE

H. CONSULAR STAFFING PATTERN: THE CONSULAR SECTION IS
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HEADED BY ONE FSO, WHO IS ALSO POST ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL
OFFICER: PERHAPS 15PCT OF TOTAL TIME IS DEVOTED TO CONSULAR
WORK. ONE FSL CONSULAR ASSISTANT SPENDS 50PCT OF TIME AVAILABLE
ON CONSULAR MATTERS AND BALANCE AS EMBASSY TRANSLATOR.
MAN HOURS HAVE, THEREFORE, BEEN PLACED IN TEMPORARY DETAIL
CATEGORY, PER INSTRUCTIONS PARA 5 REFTEL.

I. POST NARRATIVE: AS POINTED OUT ABOVE, EMBASSY DOES NOT
HAVE A FULL TIME CONSULAR SECTION, YET ONE FSO AND ONE
FSL ARE AVAILABLE FOR ALL CONSULAR MATTERS AS THEY ARISE.
VOLUME OF CONSULAR WORK HERE IS SMALL AND IS GROWING AT
MODERATE RATE, PERHAPS 10 TO 15 PCT PER YEAR. EVEN THOUGH

WORKLOAD INCREASING, EMBASSY DOES NOT REPEAT NOT BELIEVE THAT ADDITIONAL POSITIONS ARE REQUIRED. OUR GREATEST PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN THOSE OF A RAPID TURNOVER IN CONSULAR ASSISTANTS AND OF FINDING ONE WHO IS WELL QUALIFIED. IN LATTER REGARD WE WERE FINALLY SUCCESSFUL LAST NOVEMBER, BUT UNFORTUANTELY OUR FSL WILL BE LEAVING GABON IN JUNE, THUS THE SEARCH BEGINS AGAIN. BECAUSE OF RAPID TURNOVER IN THIS POSITION , EXTROADINARY AMOUNT OF TIME MUST BE SPENT IN TRAINNG NEW ASSISTANT. PREVIOUS INCUMBENTS HAD BEEN SOMEWHAT LESS THAN EFFICIENT AND CONSCIENTIOUS, AND CONSULAR FILES AND HANDBOOKS WERE HOPELESSLY MUDDLED. FOR EXAMPLE ALL AIRGRAMS WERE FILED TOGETHER, REGARDLESS OF SUBJECT, PRESUMABLY BECAUSE ALL WERE PRINTED ON PINK PAPER. SIMILARLY ALL TELEGRAMS WERE FILED TOGETHER. PRESENT FSL ON HER OWN INITIATIVE AND WITH MINIMUM OF GUIDANCE COMPLETELY REORGANIZED FILES AND THEY ARE NOW WORKABLE AND USEFUL.

7. IN SCHEDULES I, II, III, AND IV PLEASE NOTE THAT ONLY THOSE CATEGORIES SPECIFICALLY LISTED APPLY TO THS POST. WE HAVE PROVIDED MOST COMPLETE AND ACCURATE STATISTICS POSSIBLE, BUT MOST ARE ONLY BEST ESTIMATES AND DO NOT NECESSARILY COINCIDE WITH DATA PROVIDED IN FY 78 CONSULAR PACKAGE OR IN MAN HOURS RECORDED IN MONTHLY VISA REPORTS. WE WOULD ALSO POINT OUT THAT MUCH UNCLASSIFIED

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OF LIBREVILLE CONSULAR WORK IS IN ASSISTANCE TO CITIZENS CATEGORY (EG OBTAINING VISAS FOR OTHER AFRICAN COUNTIRES, FLIGHT CLEARANCES AIRPORT VISAS, ETC) WHICH DOES NOT PROPERLY FIT INTO THE FOREGOING SCHEDULED BUT WHICH DOES CONSUME ACONSIDERABLE PORTION OF OUR TIME. FOR EXAMPLE, UNDEROPTIMUM CONDITIONS, EACH REQUEST FOR AN AIRPORT VISA REQUIRES TWO TO THREE TRIPS TO LIBREVILLE SURETE OFFICE AND AT LEST ONE TRIP TO AIRPORT: EACH FLIGHT CLEARANCE REQUIRES TWO OR MORE TRIPS TO MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT: EACH VISA FOR ANOTHER AFRICAN COUNTRY REQUIRES TWO OR MORE TRIPS TO APPROPRIATE COUNTRY EMBASSY. OPTIMUM CONDITIIONS RARELY PREVAIL; TELEPHONES DO NOT WORK: RESPONSIBLE OFFICIALS ARE AWAY AND NO ASSISTANT IS AVAILABLE TO TAKE CARE OF REQUEST: TRAFFIC JAMS: ROAD CONSTRUCTION: CONFUSION IN VARIOUS OFFICES. IN SUM, OUR ESTIMATE OF FSL MANHOURS EXPENDED IN CONSULAR WORK COULD BE DOUBLE IF ALL TIME IN ASSISTING CITIZENS WERE INCLUDED IN STATISTICS. FSOS TIME COULD FOR SAME REASON BE INCREASED BY 50PCT.

8. EMBASSY HOPES FOREGOING DATA AND NARRATIVE WILL BE USEFUL TO SCA AND OTHER OFFICES. DEJARNETTE

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